It has long been a mooted question whether gripmen could evince the slightest interest or concern in temporal matters, much less become excited. Heretofore they have dreamly piloted their cars along the well-beaten steel path, utterly indifferent to life or limb of those who wished to get on or off. or out of the way of the five-cent cabs. But all that has been changed. Even in these days of vice crusades and the gobbling up of railroads, it has not

passed the observation of an apprecia-It is all due to the announcement made by The Evening World that this paper would give a cash prize of \$25 in gold to the heaviest motorman of either a cable or a trolley car within a radius of twenty-five miles of City

As a result all the aspirants for this a result all the aspirants for this a heavy-weight honor have started in with avidry to train. They have connulted every noted athlete and instructor of how to live hygienically in the city. and have even written to old Dr. Bunyon for a formula on how to grow fat before Jan. 19, the day on which the contest

Letters by the score have been received at this office from some who have just started into train off of the feather-weight class, asking if that date can't be changed and begging for a postponement of the date of closing. Weight Must Be Attested.

The only condition of the contest /is that each competitor shall be weighed in the presence of at least two wit scales as well as his true weight attested before a notary, and send the result to the "Fat Motorman Editor," P. Q. Box 2,334, New York City.

The staid and serious men whose only duty is to turn the handle shutting on or off the electric current have increased rapidly from their former weight when they were forced to control the flery steeds that the car companies usually provided to haul the cars. Then their arms and feet were continually used in a wild endeaver to prevent the car horses from keeping up a rate of speed prohibited by the city charter. In those days it was work. Now they can run the car with the left hand and toss graceful courtesles with the right to their lady friends along their route. Their strenuous life—if not abstemious—and lack of exercise have resulted in their becoming lazy, indoient and in a fair way of doing from fatty degeneration of the hour.

fair way of dying from fatty degeneration of the heart.

Since this contest opened they have
all taken to training. This conjest is
intended to awaken in motormen and
all those who carn a living by work
that is free from exercise a desire to
improve their physical condition and
preserve their health. There is a vast
difference between fat and good tissue.

Big "Bill" Moran Leads.

Up to the present "Bill" Moran, one of the most popular gripmen on the Broadway line, is the leader in the heavy-weight class, although he is closely pushed by "Bob" Green, "Tom" McDonnell, "Pop" Walters and "Coney Island" Sample.

All are in the employ of the Metropolitan Street Railway Company and are the oldest in point of service and the most reliable men in the service. Big "Bill" Moran weighs more than three hundred pounds and has been reliroading for more than fourteen years, and is extremely popular with all the men on the road.

"Since the contest began," said the night superintendent of the Fiftieth street stables to a reporter for The Evening World last night, "not a man has been a fraction of a minute late. They usually get here lately a half hour ahead of time and romp around like a lot of schoolboys to put on flesh. They all declare the prize shall not go to Brooklyn or any other place, but must be won by one of the men on our lines here. It's a grand idea and has caught

# RAPID TRANSIT

Plan to Shorten Time Between "Zoo" and City Hall 15 Minutes.

By the lease of the Second avenue devated railroad line by the Rapid Transit Commissioners and the abandominent of the tunnel under the Har-lem River from One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street to Brook avenue the residents of the Bronx will be given a direct line of rapid transit from the Zoological Gardens to City Hall Park and fifteen minutes will be saved in the case of the journey as compared with the time to be made by the circuitous

subway route.
This scheme is now under consideration by the Rapid Transit Commissioners, and will undoubtedly be approved as Chief Engineer Parsons is heartily in favor of it. So are the residents of the Bronx, and their commercial organisations have already been in consultaisations have already been in communa-tion with the officers of the Manhattan "L" Company. The estimate of the cost of the lease will soon be given the officials and then the plan will be laid before the Rapid Transit Commission-

They will lease the line and Contractor They will lease the line and Contractor John B. McDonaid will run it as a branch of the rapid transit road. It is also intended to extend the Lenox avenue line across the Harlem into Jerome avenue and thence to a point opposite the Fort George terminus of the western subway. This would give three distinct lines of rapid transit to the Bronx, one on either side and the proposed Jerome avenue soute in the centre.

### KING LEOPOLD'S GIFT TO A SEER OF CHICAGO



Found Ruler's Runaway Daughter and Got a Costly Gem.

CHICAGO, Jan. 10.-The escapade of Princess Louise, daughter of Leopold, King of the Belgians, is an old story She ran away with an Austrian officer. The King's efforts to learn of her whereabouts were unavailing until he heard of Prof. Bert Reese, of this city. Reese is a mind reader. He does some clever things. He was in Berlin mystifying the Kaiser while Leopold was the royal guest of Emperor William. Suddenly, after the departure of Leo

pold for his kingdom, he summoned Reese to come to him. The King asked aim to find his daughter Louise. Two days later the Princess knocked

H. C. Frick Chases Burgiars. PITTSBURG, Jan. 9.-H. C. Frick, the steel millionaire, while driving he Fifth avenue last night, was halled by Mrs. Nelson P. Reed, who came out on her house on Wilkins avenue, and reported that two thieves were trying to break into her residence. Mr. Frick lef his carriage, hurried to the rear of the Reed home, and forced the men to run He gave chase but failed to catch them



& ASTHMA. THIS IS A PICTURE OF THE NEWLY DIS-COVERED INVENTION, THE KOCH INHA-LATION, AND PROF. KOCH, OF BERLIN,

Brooklyn or any other place, but must be won by one of the men on our lines here. It's a grand idea and has caught on, I can tell you.

"You ought to give a prize for the thinnest man. Why, some of the men do nothing but eat mush and milk every time they finish a run. This means they eat fourteen meals a flay. It this keeps on the platforms won't be big enough to hold the men. For our sakes don't keep the contest open after the 19th, or we'l have to build new decks to all our care."

As the men are all looking for exercise the slightest movement of the finger brings a car to a full stop and one getting on board receives a grateful smile from the gripman in charge.

Try it and see. knew of other cases whom they had cured. I learned I had this fatal disease, and I went to these consumption doctors. I found them to be kindhearted gentlemen, and I shall ever be thankful to them, for my life has been saved. H. Haase, 41 Brook St., Staten Island, N. Y.

at the gate of her home and was admitted. The young Austrian who had taken her away and who had become her husband also returned and was thrown into prison on another charge.

King Leopold was overcome with joy and asked Reese for his bill. The young seer declined any remuneration, whereupon the King presented him with a diamond ring of creat value.

It was the reward for the return of a princess.

# MUNYON'S Grip Cure Free

4,111 via's distributed yesterday People in every walk of life welcome the great remedy.



And the epidemic of Grip continues to Pneumonia of to-morrow. No one is safe. At the first symptom of Grip, at the first thickening of the threat, or pain in the chest, or dul feeling behind the eyes, or of Germany, step age of any of the air passages, take of Germany, my GRIP CURE or my COLD CURE. Delay means added danger.—MUNYON.

And do not neglect yourself when the grip seems to have left you. Keep the system in thorough order, the kidneys free, the bowels open. The after effects of grip are even more dangerous than the disease itself. distribution of MUN-YON'S GRIP CURE is one of a series.

vellous CURES. If you have rheumatism Munyon's Rheumatism Cure will cure it in a few hours; his Dyspepsia Cure will cure any case of indigestion or stomach trouble; 90 per cent. of kidney complaints, including Bright's disease, can be cured with his Kidney Ours, nerveus affections and diseases of the heart are controlled and cured by his Nerve and Heart Ours; his Cold Cure will break up any form of cold in a few hours; 57 cures for 57 aliments. Every druggist sells them—mostly 25 cents a vial.

FREE MEDICAL ADVICE-Mun yon's Doctors will carefully examine you, give you their honest

opinion and tell you what to do for your allment without charge. Open Day and Evening.

Brodway and 26th Street

Winter Coats for Girls.

real value \$12.50; for to-morrow,

Two garments exceptionally priced for to-morrow.

Girls' Automobile Coats, \$7.98. Of fine castor and blue kerseys, lined throughout with silk; have high rolling collars and half fitted backs; all seams strapped and finely tailored; sizes 8 to 14 years; 7.98

Girls' Reefers and Box Coats, \$4.98. These garments are mostly in sizes 4, 6, 8 and \$ 10, though there are some 12 and 14. We have reduced these after stock taking from \$9.50, \$8.98, \$7.98 and \$5.98, and make ONE LOT of them all at \$4.98. They are made of finest quality cloth, all shades and newest

styles. Further description is un-necessary, and the goods are here to tell their own story, for to- 4.98 morrow.

BLOOMINGDALE BROS., 3d Ave., 59th and 60th Sts.

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A Discount of 25%

placed on all Fancy Bele-a-Beac on the Third Floor. The assortments consist of Sevies Ware, Limoges China, Terra Cotta Bus's and Pieces, Blique Figures, Hanging Wall Paques, Cabinet Curios, etc.

More About These Men's and

bosoms, men's and boys' sizes, 12 to 18; if you paid \$1 to the shirt could not

At 38c.—Fien's Night Robes, extra heavy muslin, fancy embroidered centres, collars and cuffs, a large variety of patterns; well made and cut full and long; a 50c. garment. Also Men's Outing Fianuel Night Robes, in plain colors of blue, pink and canary; sold everywhere at 50c.

At 39c. - flen's and Boys' Unlaundered Shirts, extra full sleet reinforced front and back; patent back and sleeve facings, gusseted at skirt; weit or double plaits; sizes 12 to 18.

At 48c.—34 Standard, made of standard special muslin, counting 88x92: extra heavy weight, set in 3 ply 1700 linen bosom: reinforced front and back, all seams felled and double stitched throughout, continuous

facing, split neckband; regular and short bosoms; men's and boys' sizes, 12

At 58c.—B. B. Special—Men's Unlaundered Shirts, made of extra fine count shirting muslin, hand finished battonholes in neckband

—1900 linen bosom, cut on custom shirt patterns. The material and workman-ship make this 2 75c. shirt: men's sizes only.

\$1.00-\$1.50 White and Fancy Stiff Bosomed Shirts, 50c.

o advertise the brand -too many retailers in New York selling the

slight imperfections from passing through the laundry, but nothing

and short bosoms, some with attached cuffs; most of them have

wide bosoms, or narrow for street wear; also open back only; a few

with attached cuffs; also short bosoms for stout men.

\$30 Fur Jacket, \$15.

This is one of the many bargains we are

giving in our Fur Department. This jacket

Fancy Shirts-Made of percales, in open back and front, regular

White Shirts-Are made open back and front, full dress, with

cal Department these celebrated

goldoine eyeglasses and spectacles

at 25c. per pair. It represents

The manufacturer's name is on every shirt. They won't allow us

to 18; have all improvements and are worth 65c.

that will harm the shirt or affect the wear.

Boys' Shirts.

be anv better.

separate cuffs.

at \$1.25 per pair.

When our sales slips read "4,200

# Bargain Friday With White Sale and Clearances.

What stronger features could we have for a great day's business than these. For years we have made Friday the veritable Bargain Day of the week. On top of this Clearance Sale prices reign, and throughout the household linens and women's undermuslins, which constitute part of our Great White Sale, are prices so low as to be sensational. To-morrow is bound to be a record-breaker, both for the opportunities it offers you and for the enormous business we are sure to have.

Women's Undermuslins

Some of the greatest items in Women's this January has been a very busy Undermuslins and Intants' Wear which place, indeed. It should be with we have offered you during our White the unmatchable book bargains we Sale will be among to morrow's special give.

Sale will be among to morrow's special webster's Unabridged Diction. Shirts sold in three days," doesn't it features. The popularity and success of tion, and is published regularly at giving are phenomenal? It took the tions.

At 29c.

lowns of muslin, high and low neck, yoke of tucks and cambric ruttle also empire effect, trimmed with insertion and cambric ruffle.

At 39c.

Corset Covers of cambric, French cut. full front, four rows of Val. lace in-sertion across front, finished with lace

then ise of muslin, square neck, trim med with wide embroidered insertion and embroidered edge. Drawers, three styles-both cambrid

and muslin some lace trimmed and others trimmed with embroidery. Gowns of muslin, four styles, high and square necks, one with yoke of four lace insertions and tucks, and aninsertion and tucks, finished with an

embroidered ruffle. kirts of muslin, deep cambric ruffle, edged with lace; also with cambric umbrella rutile.

At 49c. Chemise of cambric and muslin; four styles; square and round necks, handsomely trimmed with different kinds of lace and embroidery.

Drawers of cambric, with very deep and full ruffle embroidery. Cowns of muslin, two styles—some trimmed with lace and ribbon, others with da nty embroideries.

At 19c. Drawers, with deep cambric ruffle trimmed with lace.

At 6c. Corset Covers, high neck, plain, all

At 15c. Corset Covers, V-neck, with wide em-

broidered edge.

At 17c. French Corset Covers, full front

with lace trimming. At 49c.

Skirts, with cambric flounce, trimmed with deep embroidered ruffle or with lace and tucks. At 59c.

Drawers of Chemise, of cambric, bosom of hemstitched tucks, insertion and ribbon. embroidered Drawers, of muslin, and also of cam bric, three styles, some with umbrella ruffles, lace trimmed, others elabo rately trimmed with fine embroidery. Gowns, of muslin and cambric, pointed yoke of cluster tucks and fine embroidered ruffle also with yoke o Val. lace and embroidered insertions

and lace ruffles. Skirts, of muslin and cambric, three styles one style has lawn flounce with lace insertions and lace edge others have deep embroidered ruffle on cambric flounce.

At 69c.

Gowns of cambric and muslin; six styles: high, low, square and V necks-elaborately trimmed with lace and embroidery.

Skirts of muslin and cambric: three styles; lawn flounce, with three la e insertions and lace edge; also with deep embroidered ruffle.

Deawers of cambric umbrella ruffle of fine lawn, with two rows of Valenciennes lace and insertion and lace Infants' Wear.

Bootees, 11c .- Hand made, worsted:

regular 17c. kind. Bibs, 10c .- Hand made, quilted, lace edge.

in pink, white and blue; regular price steel rods, case and Infants' Long Slips, 25c .- Of cambric, tucked front, neck and sleeves den, horn or box-trimmed with embroidery.

Infants' Long Silps, 39c .- Of cam- I med with fine sterbric and nainsook: some round em-broidered yokes, finished with ruffle of embroidery: others shirred necks, with ruffle of embroidery.

bric, trimmed with lace and embroid-ery. Worth from 75c to 98c. Infants' Caps, 10c .- Of white eiderdown, with lace ruche: also a lot of colored silk caps Regular price 25c. Children's Poke Bonnets, 98c .- Of

S1.50 and \$1.69.

Children's Bonnets, \$1.49.—In all and half hour on cathedral gong.

colors, too numerous to describe.

Old Ladies' Dress Caps, 39c.—Of

Tarbleized Anso-

white silk net, trimmed with white lace and ribbon, Regularly sold for \$1.00 and \$1.25,
Second Floor, Near Rotunda.

## Something About Collars and Cuffs.

ccording to the brand name that's on We make it our policy to sell qual-Prof. Munyon means that no one need remain in ignorance of his marour "Army and Navy" Collars at 10c. each. Now we offer you an even greater opportunity. We are going to clear out all our "Army

Nine cases out of ten, a collar sells

and Navy" Brand of collars and cuffs. We will sell the January Clearing Sale. women's Shopping Bags, 59c. collars for 45c. per half dozen, and the cuffs for 80c. per and '98c.—Plain grain and mon-Icollars for 45c. per half dozen, and the cuffs for 80c. per thalf dozen. This brand is sold elsewhere under another name—collars, 15c.

each; cuffs, 25c. per pair. Our regular selling price of these collars is 10c, each, or \$1.20 per dozen; cuffs, 18c, per pair, or \$2,00 per dozen On top of this we make this unprecedented reduction:

Collars, 45c. Half Dozen. Cuffs, 80c. Half Dozen. Every collar and cuff is guaranted to be perfect in every particular. For this sale these goods are sold in half-dozen lots only. There are 42 different styles of men's and boys' collars, m. de of four-ply linen, in poke, wing, straight standing, lap, low turn-down, and high-band styles.

Main Floor, 60th St. Section.

# Women's Silk Waists. the finest manner.

Women's Waist Dept., on the second floor. These waists are made with the utmost Sweet Sugar Peas, delicious, per care, of the best materials and trimmed in imported Peas, extra fine and extra care, of the best materials and trimmed in

At 4.98 & 5.49 Of taffeta silk: hemnew Bishop sleeves; also Grecian sleeves; black, white and colors.

At 2.98—Taffeta silk, in black and colors; very special.

## Special Hosiery Sale.

porter an entire stock of excellent hose. The purchasing highest grade, 12/4-lb. bags, 35c. figure was exceptionally low, and we place them on sale figure was exceptionally low, and we place them on sale figure was exceptionally low, and we place them on sale figure was exceptionally low, and we place them on sale figure was exceptionally low, and we place them on sale figure was exceptionally low, and we place them on sale figure was exceptionally low, and we place them on sale figure was exceptionally low, and we place them on sale figure was exceptionally low, and we place them on sale figure was exceptionally low. at the same ratio. We have divided them into two lots.

At 15c—Fine imported Cotton Hose, in black and tan: Hermsdorf dye; also fancy striped and polka dots. Worth from 25c. to 35c. per pair. These are for men and women. At 29c—Men's and Women's fine grades of imported lisle California Port, Sherry, Sweet threads, in fancy and lace patterns, including plain colors and blacks, in lace lisles. Worth 50c. per pair,

Main Ploor, 59th 8t. Section.

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California Port, Sherry, Sweet California Port, Sherry, Sweet House, Flux and State of the State o

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Sale of Books.

Our Book Department during

Editions of the Poets (padded surplus output of three of the largest

leather), 95c.—These are published at shirt factories in America to stock us Holmes, Longfellow, Dante, Lowell, for this sale. To say the least, our Froctor, Wilton, Keats, Ingelow, &c. Warner's Encyclopedia, 12.00—is purchase was most satisfactory. Cerbound in cloth; has 12 volumes; pubtainly if you are in need of shirts you lished at \$18.00. Same in Sheepskin, 18.00—Pubcannot afford to miss this opportunity.

At 68c. -68 Standard, made of celebrated Utica Nonpareil muslin, guaranteed 2000 linen bosom, butcher's linen back (set in), patent neckbands, handmade buttonholes, hand finished throughout, long and short lished at \$2 ... (0. Webster's Pocket Dictionaries, 5c.

Watches, \$2.39.

This popular "On-Time Watch, made in styles for men, women and boys, on sale in our great clearing sale to-morrow a t \$2.39. Cases are

fine nickel plate, perfect, timekeepers; every watch guaranteed such. This is in every way a \$5.00 watch, and is generally sold for that.

Silk Umbrellas, \$1.68 same goods at regular prices. So all we can say is that if you need laundered shirts, white or fancy, this is your opportunity to buy them at half or one-third regular prices. Some among them have I

Very special for Friday, we offer Umbrellas of union Sacques, 29c .- Hand made, worsted taffeta silk, with tassels, and Dreswood handles, trim-Infants' Long S'ios. 49c.—In a vari-ety of styles, both nainsook and cam-you see this is 2. you see this is a. very exceptional

offer. Ansonia Clocks.

is handsome and will give the best of satis-These items are special from our faction. Latest style and shape. It is of crystal silk, prettily trimme! with These items are special from our ribbon, in a! colors. Regular prices great clearing sale. Every clock guaranteed and they strike the hour Baltic seal, which closely resembles sealskin.

nia Clocks.
At 3.95-Eignit-day
Marbielzed Ansonia Clocks, decorated with fine gilt
trimmings; list pilie.

Eyeglasses and Spectacles, 25c.

Of Solid Goldoine—To-morrow
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Leather Goods.

Some very special items in our featherweight; they always look bright, and perspiration or any Leather Goods Department in this moisture will not tarnish them. Fitted with silex crystal lenses;

key-grain leather, with and without key-grain reatner, with and with side pockets.

Travelling Bags, of tan grain leather, 12 in., 1.32; 13 in., 1.45; 14 in., 1.59; 15 in., 1.73; 16 in., 1.85; 17 in., 1.99; 18 in., 2.12.

Newark Grain Club Bags, leather tanks of coursel frames, 12 n., 2.30; lined covered frames, 12 n, 2.30; 13 in., 2.89; 14 in., 2.98; 15 in., 3.19; 16 in., 3.49; 17 in., 3.70;

Groceries.

Main Ploor, 59th St. Section.

18 in., 4.29.

No mail orders filled. Here are special features from Our Fancy N. Y. State Corn or Stringless Beans, not more than six cans of each to a customer, per can, 5c.

> small; our 20c. cans, 17c. Bartle t Pears, 3-lb, can, 9c. Peaches, very good. 3-lb. cans. 12c California Lemon (Ing Peaches Bartlett Pears, 21/4-lb. cans, 17c and 21c.

alifornia Apricots, Egg Plums Green Gages, 21/2-lb. cans, 14c. Baby Olives, large, 1/2-gallon jar, 55c. gallon, 95c. Mammoth Queen Olives, full quart

Crescent Olives, regularly sold We purchased advantageously from a retiring im- Pansy Pastry Flour, this is of the

Wines and Liquors.

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If you want a sewing machine here is an opportunity to get the best machine manufactured for very little money The Delight is made by one of the most reputable and oldest sewing machine manufaction turers in the world. It has all the latest improvements, and is light-running and noiseless. Every machine fully guaranteed for five years; have finest

sterling value in every sense of the word-in fact, the goods are sell-

ing much below cost. They are regularly sold by exclusive dealers

spectacles have straight or riding bow. Eyeglasses patent American cork spring nosepieces. But two pairs to each customer.

Delight Sewing Machines.

Goldoine very closely resembles 14 kt. gold; every pair is

oak and walnut cabinet work; instruction free. No. 3 Delight, \$35.00 machine; sale No. 25 Delight, ball-bearing, dust price, 12.75.
No. 2 Delight, \$45.00 machine; sale price, 23.00. price, 15.48.
No. 23 Delight, ball-bearing, \$50.00
No. 27, 2 \$65,00 ball-bearing, dust-proof machine; sale price, 25.00.

machine; sale price, 18.98. machine; sale price, 18.98.

No. 25 Delight, ball-bearing, \$55.00

No. 9, a \$75.00 ball-bearing machine, and price, 21.00.

machine; sale price, 21.00.

No. 27 Delight, ball-bearing, \$60.00 machine; sale price, 23.00.

No. 10, a \$100.00 ball-bearing, full cabinet machine; sale price, 45.98.

### Women's Flannelette Wrappers, 65c.

Here is a very great special from our wrapper department. We have about 147 dozen fleeced flannelette Wrappers of very excellent quality, made up in several different styles and trimmed in a number of ways, which we will sell for 65c. each. The garments Old Maryland Ryo Whiskey, well should sell for at least \$1.00 apiece, aged and mel ow, sold at twice this but we are going to clear the whole price elsewhere, full quarts, 59c. lot out to-morrow, so that is why the price is so low. The sizes are 34 to

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